

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image producing section produces a character or pattern image indicative of the input conditions of a color scanner section. The input conditions include data on the resolution, the sampling rate, etc.

An image synthesis section synthesizes the produced image with an image scanned by the color scanner section and subjected to predetermined image processing. The resultant synthesized image is printed out by a color printer section. The operating conditions, such as the image input conditions, are clear from the character or pattern image printed out as part of the synthesized image.